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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is indeed an honor and a privilege to serve as president of is great association of ours. I assure you I will support and up- ld the very best interests of the association to the best of my ability. ave no doubt, I will make mistakes as any human being does but ey will be honest mistakes and not intentional.

The club representatives are members of the governing body the association and their support and obligation to the associa- n is as important as the officers. What is a club representative? e have at present eighty-one member clubs, each club appoints a ember to represent them and to be spokesman of their club. When representative fails to attend a board meeting, they have failed eir club and the association. Your officers hope each of you will ke an active part and support your association.

The association growth has been tremendous and it is still teenager, fifteen years of age. It is indeed a tribute to those that ve guided it from the beginning and to Karl M. Brainard, our unding father. It is now our turn, yours and mine, to carry the ball. et us do it with dignity, always keeping in mind it is for the owth and advancement of the association and numismatics.

Peggy E. Bargelle

YOUR EDITOR SPEAKS

Along with many others, I enjoyed greatly the recent Fourteenth Annual Convention of the Numismatic Association of Sourthern California. It was a pleasure to meet with old friends, some of whom we had not seen in the past year, and others that we see more frequently. From behind the registration desk it is plain to see that many others derive that same pleasure.

From the time the doors officially opened Thursday until the official closing time Sunday evening there were enough activities to keep one busy enough to take the opportunity to relax from time to time. In this issue you will want to read the reports on the auction, the many good exhibits and the winners of the exhibit awards, the high class forum at which was heard some of the country's top speakers on numismatic subjects, the Club Officer's Breakfast, and the Banquet, to name some of the many activities that were in evidence the four days.

The Banquet, outstanding in all respects, was highlighted by the knowledge of who was the chosen winners of the different awards. These and many other subjects, including several photos of people in attendance will be found in the pages of this issue.

A reminder to all the member Coin Clubs--please keep in mind that your Club can be the winner of the President's Trophy. Your monthly Bulletin, laid out attractively and efficiently, and sent regularly to the Editor, may be the means of acquiring that coveted trophy for a year -- or even three years. Anyway, it is worth the effort.

It is the opinion of the Editor, inasmuch as all phases of the Coin Club meetings are important, that the most important is the educational program. The Club Bulletins are all interesting and informative, but it is the program that your Editor looks for primarily in order to give each Club recognition within the NASC Quarterly; without your Bulletin, without a program of numismatic interest, there is not much else that is not repetitive from month to month to construct a report on. There will soon be a Speakers Bulletin out that will be an assist to all Club Program Chairmen to choose their speakers from. It is hoped that the several Clubs will take advantage of this list.

WILLIAM O. WISSLEAD

Editor.

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THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF N.A.S.C.

From February 13-16 inclusive, 9, was held one of the most out- nding conventions of the season, the Los Angeles-Hilton Hotel in Angeles, Calif. During those r days more than 3000 people filed t the desk to register, and thence the Bourse Room and the Exhibit as. This did not include several ers that were not required to ister in order to view the exhibits, attend any one of the three se- ons of the auction, which was ciently conducted by the Para- nt International Coin Corp. and ir fine staff.

Beside the second session of auction on Friday, another out- nding event of the day was the SC Forum. A choice selection of e nationally known speakers were sented to a well packed room of erested numismatists by the Forum nitor, President-Elect Peggy rgolte. The first speaker intro- ced by Peggy was ABE KOSOFF Encino, Calif., a recognised hority on Numismatics in general. has made particular specialties Colonials, Patterns and Terri- ials. In his numismatic pursuits is an author, cataloguer, auction- , world traveler, and founder of Professional Numismatists Guild. s topic at the forum was "THE LLY COLLECTION", about which is an authority, having been one the group assigned to assist in ne high order decisions concerning s famous collection.

The next speaker to the rostrum was JAMES A. CONLON, Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Print- ing. Mr. Conlon, having worked in the Bureau the past twenty-six years, the last three of which he has been Director, brought to the audience a wealth of knowledge from his long experience with the manufacture of the Nation's paper money, and an- swered easily the many and varied questions from those in attendance.

The third speaker was to have been CHESTER L. KRAUSE, well known numismatic publisher, but due to circumstances beyond his control he was unable to attend the Con- vention. However, he sent one of his right hand men to talk in his place, Mr. FRED GREEN, who spoke on "THE RESPONSIBILITY OF NUMISMATIC PUBLICATIONS". Mr. Green was advertising manager for Coin World prior to joining up with Numismatic News.

The three speakers, in their turn, commanded a respective atten- tion from an interested audience, all who are highly desirous of keeping abreast of the many facets of the Numismatic Hobby. In addition, the California Exonumist Society held a Forum that was well attended and enjoyed highly.

Up bright and early for the 8.30 a.m. breakfast for the Officers and Club Representatives, were 130 persons who participated in the pleasure of enjoying a delicious breakfast, accompanied with much

camaraderie and a mutual feeling of being a part of a successful organization. President Foster Hall brought the meeting to order on schedule and called on Mr. HERBERT M. BERGEN, 1st Vice-President of the American Numismatic Association to offer the invocation. President-Elect Peggy Borgolte was the M.C.

Following the breakfast was the NASC business meeting which President Foster Hall brought to order sharply at 10:00 a.m. The last item of business was the election of officers and board of directors for the year of 1969, the results of which, in the interest of not being repetitive, are printed inside the front cover. The position of President Elect, and the Board of Governors, were highly contested for. There were 143 people present at the business meeting.

The outstanding auction, held in three sessions, one each on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, was under the auspices of Paramount International Coin Corporation. There were ninety three dealers occupying the Bourse Room, all of which were kept steadily busy throughout the four days of the Convention. A special thanks is extended to all dealers who occupied bourse space at this convention.

The exhibits were all of high caliber, and many interested viewers were continuously in evidence as they slowly and studiously went from one exhibit to the next. The judges were all confronted with a tremendous undertaking, due to the high quality of exhibits, in arriving at decisions in determining the final winners in each of the several classes. The results of the judging, the complete list of Exhibit winners, will be found on another page of this issue of the Quarterly.

One of the well-received non-competitive exhibits was the billion dollar display of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. Also, for the benefit of the convention attenders was the intaglio press of the Treasury Department on which demonstrations were held on printing U.S. notes. Official representative of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing was EVERETT J. PRESCOTT, chief of the office of manufacturing of the Bureau, who gave on the spot demonstrations of the printing of the notes.

The gala event of the entire convention was encompassed in the Saturday evening banquet, attended by 217, an event that filled the entire room with happiness and gaiety, with dancing for those who desired, and sumptuous dining for all. None other than the inimitable, the hilarious, RALPH "CURLY" MITCHELL was the Master-of-Ceremonies who was permitted to "pull out the stops" and he not only did so but "threw 'em away", too. The audience was literally rolling between the tables as he introduced all the V.I.P.'s in turn. Ralph's remembrances of comical instances that he hears about different people is fabulous, and he sure brought a lot of 'em out in the light at the banquet.

Many well-known numismatic personalities attended the Conven-

on. From the American Numismatic ssociation was Mr. and Mrs. Her- ert M. Bergen, Mr and Mrs. Charles . Johnson; Mr. and Mrs. John Pitt- an; Mr. George Hatie and Mr. Jack gilvie. Others in attendance were: r. and Mrs. Richard Yoeman, Whit- an Publishing Co.; Fred Green, umismatic News; Russell Rulau, orld Coins; Wayne Lawrence, Coin orld; Leonard Sterling, COINage; oward Chase, Numismatic Digest; . and Mrs. Ralph A. Mitchell; Frank- Mint; and Mr. and Mrs. Richard de, Numismatic Digest. From the areau of Engraving and Printing, shington, D.C. was Mr. and Mrs. mes Conlon, Mr. Dehart and Mr. ggin. The faithful Convention ers, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Knicker- cker of San Diego were very much attendance. Many Past-Presidents the Numismatic Association of uthern California were also in endance. If any one has been itted, who think their name should ve been included, it certainly was t intentional.

GORDON Z. GREENE, the Ex- it Chairman, made the exhibit sentations, an event eagerly look- forward to by many, especially se that had competititve displays. e complete list of exhibit winners l be found in another section of s issue of the Quarterly.

One of the highlights of the ning was the announcement of the ner of the coveted Goodson Award t went to the person judged as outstanding numismatist for the r 1968. This was presented to well known ABE KOSOFF for his standing work on the Lilly Collection. Mr. Kosoff was not present at the banquet, for, as he later stated he had no idea that this award was coming to him. Sounds like the usual modest Abe.

With bated breath all of the representatives at the banquet from the several member Coin Clubs anxiously waited for the word, as Pres. Foster Hall got up to announce the winner of the President's Trophy, which goes to the Club judged to have continuously published the best Club Bulletin throughout the year. This coveted award went to the AZTECA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY.

Another important event of the evening was the bestowal of Literary Awards to the authors in the categories of 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize awards. The winners were as follows in that order:

1st place to SOL TAYLOR for his article, "COLLECTOR'S GUIDE TO U.S. HALF CENTS, 1793-1857", published in the 3rd quarter issue, page 4.

2nd place to ZENIA KREIZEL for her article, "THE BARNYARD SET", published in the 4th quarter issue, page 4.

3rd place to JAMES L. BETTON, JR. for his article, "BANDARMASSIN, A Numograph", published in the 1st quarter issue, page 8. (Editor's Note - If you haven't read these articles yet it certainly is worth your time to do so).

The installation of officers was conducted by CHARLES M. JOHNSON, one of the Board of Governors of the American Numismatic Association. Charles has been called on

many times in the past at many banquets to perform this ritual, which he carries out with a smoothness that is admired by all in attendance. All officers were officially installed with the final words of "So Help, Me God", From this instant onward preparations were in the embryonic stage to make the 15th a bigger and better convention yet. And to proclaim this determination, the new President, PEGGY BORGOLTE, stepped to the podium to give her acceptance speech. She followed this by presenting the SILVER LAMP OF KNOWLEDGE medal to the immediate Past-President, FOSTER HALL, who accepted it with gratitude and humility.

The tremendous and outstanding success of this Convention, the 14th, can only be attributed to the diligence, and contribution of much personal time, by all those committed to the many facets that total up to one successful and rewarding effort.

As stated at the first of this report there was over 3000 people registered at this convention, one over 3000 to be exact. To see who this person was please turn to the photo section.

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CUT - LINES (see picutures, pages 16, 17, 18)

TOP ROW: Left to Right. C.E.S. Speakers & President with Azteca Calender, Erma Stevens, Joe Garside, Sally Marx. Bill Sadler, Evelyn Sadler, Claire Abelson, Ben Abelson. George Bennett, Installing Officer, Charles Johnson, Faster Hall, Murray Singer, Walter Snyder, William Wisslead, George Price, seated Mr. & Mrs. R. Mitchell. Mr. & Mrs. John Pittman at Banquet.

2nd ROW: James Conlon, Mrs. H. Bergen, Herbert Bergen, Peggy Borgolte. Richard Yeoman, Jack Ogilvie.. Breakfast Scene. Murray Singer, Bourse Chairman; Walter Snyder, Security Chairman..

3rd ROW: Maurice Gould, John Baker, E. Crook. John Fies, P. Borgolte, J. Pittman, Charles Johnson, Mrs. Richard Yeoman.. Assistant and , Max Humbert. Molly & Abe Kosoff, Abe Kosoff received the Goodson Memorial Award as the Outstanding Numismatist of 1968.

BOTTOM ROW: Mr. & Mrs. James Conlon at the Banquet. Mr. Conlon is Director of Bureau of Engraving & Printing. Some of First Place winner and Best of Show Winner. N.A.S.C. Forum: Fred Green, Numismatic News; James Conlon, Bureau of Engraving & Printing; Peggy Borgolte, Moderator; Abe Kosoff, A.Kosoff, Inc. Virgil Hancock, Charles Johnson, John Pittman.

TOP ROW (page 18) Two 2nd place winners and one 1st place, a family affair. 1969-70 Officers - standing left to right: Board, Geo. Bennett, Foster Hall; Ann Hall, Rec. Secretary; Walter Snyder, Board; Thelma Case, Historian; Murray Singer, Board. Seated left to right: Ben Abelson, Vice-Pres.; Peggy Borgolte, President; James Waldorf Corr. Secretary; Ethel Lenhert, Treasurer; Geo. Price, Board. Missing are: James Betton, Jr. President-Elect; Danny Crabb, Board; William Wisslead, Board.

2nd ROW: Ralph Mitchell, Russell Rulau, (Franklin Mint Hospitality Room); Peggy Borgolte presents Appreciation Plaque to Abe Kosoff.

3rd ROW: 3001st to Register, Darla Jean Morrison, 4218 Linsley St. Compton, Calif. Head Table at Banquet, Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Mitchell and Outgoing President Foster Hall

BOTTOM ROW: Best of Show Winner - Buffalo Nickels. Outgoing Pres. Foster Hall

EXHIBITION WINNERS - N.A.S.C. 14th ANNUAL CONVENTION

U.S. COINS

st.	Leonard Ratzman	Buffalo Nickels
nd.	Sally Vorbau	Kennedy Half Dollars
rd	Robert Bishop	U.S. Commemoratives

U.S. & FOREIGN GOLD

st.	Robert Bishop	Gold from Seven Mints
nd.	Joy Parrish	Gold of the World
rd.	Howard Gullich	U.S. Gold

ANCIENT (700 B.C. to 1500 A.D.)

st.	Viola Johnson	Roman Emperor Trojan
nd.	Rudy Pock, Sr.	Coins of the Romans
rd.	Jim Betton	Venetian Republic

MODERN FOREIGN (1500 to Date)

1st.	M.O. Dion	British Commonwealth
2nd.	Roy Beltz	Prettiest Crowns
3rd.	Lawrence Morton	Modern Commemorative Coins of Scandinavia

U.S. CURRENCY

1st.	Chas. Johnson	Currency Through the Years
2nd.	Robert Carter	U.S. Currency
3rd.	Sally Vorbau	Back & Front Dollar

FOREIGN CURRENCY

1st.	Richard Hall	Brazilian Banknotes
2nd.	Wanda Pock	Currency of the German Empire

Continued

UNUSUAL MEDIA of EXCHANGE

1st. Stanley Jeziorski	Concentration Camp Money
2nd. Joy Parrish	Wooden Money
3rd. Robert Carter	Transportation Tokens

SPECIALIZED (Decorations & Medals)

1st. Robert Bishop	Presidential Mint Medals
2nd. Erma Stevens & Sonya	State of Sonora, Mexico - Coins, Medals & Tokens
3rd. Virgil Moses	Medallic Portrait of J.F.K.

NUMISMATIC ERRORS

1st. Don Wallace, Sr.	Four Steps to a Double Strike
2nd. Susan Wallace	Roosevelt Errors
3rd. John Burison	Numismatic Errors

JUNIORS

1st. Alan Wolpe	Angora & Pounds of Israel
2nd. Carol Wallace	Clipped Planchets
3rd. Robert Fauble	U.S. Sets

INVITATIONAL AWARDS

Armando Ojeda	Cobs - Pillar - Portrait
Roy Gray	Mint Errors
Esther Taller	Coins of Israel
Jim Ray	Wampum to Dollars
Sidney Smith	1943 Copper Cent

BEST of SHOW

Leonard Ratzman	Buffalo Nickels

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Collector Profile

By THE EDITOR

Peggy Borgolte, Granada Hills, if. is a native of Pennsylvania. ication to California after finish- her schooling resulted in her ing in the sunny state and re- ing to Pennsylvania for vacations. lecting started for Peggy as a lt of saving change in a three- tall bottle. A friend in Kansas d Peggy to purchase a 1931S for her, she was sure she would it in the bottle of change. Find- none, she visited a coin shop for purchase. Remembering she had s given her, years before, she ght out the box and discovered were all foreign. To find out ut these she purchased a book, first of a library which now totals 400 books.

Ribbing from friends did not ourage her as she began collect- especially minature coins of the d. This is one of her principal cialty areas along with the coins currency of Mexico and Phillip V late, medals and coins of the rs of Spain, Canadian Silver Dollars, and the medals and tokens of Pennsylvania. She tries to collect a few coins from all the countries she has visited and almost became interested in ancient coins when she and Ed visited Pompeii in January 1968. Although she is interested in all coins, as she says, "I have to draw the line somewhere. Safety deposit boxes can become expensive. This is the sad part of our hobby." Even coins or tokens that have a sentimental value or are kept for their artistic beauty are not safe from the threat of robbery."

Photography is another hobby of Peggy's. She has used this to excellent advantage in recording all her coins, medals and tokens. With slides of her treasures she can "in a manner" enjoy her hobby although it is housed in the bank. Peggy adds, "My most prized collection can not be stolen, because it is in the many numismatic friends I have made throughout the world, to me that is the greatest part of numismatics."

Club membership for Peggy is at the local, national and international level; not only as a member, but active and holding offices in many of the organizations, and is past president of local clubs including a Charter Past President, this year she is OUR PRESIDENT and the first woman to be elected to the presidency of N.A.S.C.

California Publications have been blessed with her talents, serving as assistant editor of Calcoin News, quarterly publication of the California State Numismatic Assoc. 1966-1968. Editor of the Medallion, official publication of the Cali-

fornia Exonumist Society 1965-1967. She has written many articles that have been published and received a literary award in 1968 for research and writing from N.A.S.C.

Peggy traveled to Calgary, Canada in July 1968 to be a guest speaker and exhibit judge at the Canadian Numismatic Association Convention! In August she was forum moderator for O.I.N. at the American Numismatic Association Convention in San Diego. October found her in Denver where she was featured on the Colo. Wyo & Rocky Mtn. States convention forum, appeared on three radio shows; taped still another T.V. program for future release and acted as exhibit judge. She enjoys sharing her numismatic knowledge whenever called upon, serving for many years as a guest speaker at many clubs and grade schools. She also has been on the panel of many an educational forum at shows in other states.

Exhibiting is another aspect of the hobby that intrigues Peggy, resulting in winning awards at conventions.. This rounds out Peggy's interest in numismatics where she has delved into every branch of the hobby. She has given freely of herself and her time to promote and develope the great hobby of numismatics, both at home and abroad.

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DID YOU KNOW ???

That glass money was current in Egypt for more than 600 years, circulating as late as 1766.

WHAT IS THAT COIN WORTH?

If you collect coins, it is important to learn how to grade them. In some cases a coin in "GOOD" condition may be worth $30.00, while if in "UNCIRCULATED" condition it would be worth $300.00 and in the fine condition "PROOF" $3000.00. Also, each series of coins has certain characteristics. They wear down first on certain high spots, so it is important to become familiar with the way the U.S. coins are struck, their highest points, etc.

Whether you wish to buy,, sell, or trade, it is important that your knowledge of grading is satisfactory, so that you can discuss the proper grade with a collector or dealer. In the Roosevelt dime series, on the obverse of the coin, with Roosevelt's bust, the hair and ear are the primary focal points. On the reverse, the torch of liberty is the point to check. The 1949 San Francisco and the 1950 San Francisco and Denver Roosevelt dimes are considered the most scarce dates of this series. The initials of JOHN R. SINNOCK, the designer, which caused quite a furor as rumors had it that the "JS" stood for Joseph Stalin.

One of the Standard references on grading is offered by Brown & Dunn, the Whitman Guide Book, popular seller among collectors, follows the same grading principles. Do not clean your coins or try to improve their grading. A novice might injure or ruin the color. Cleaning should be done by someone with knowledge as to what will not ruin the color or harm the coin. Improper cleaning could be tragic.

A NUMISMATIC STORY

By the late C.R. YOUNG

On March 4, 1961, in the small wn of Paullac, on the southeastern ast of France, occured a wedding some importance. The bride a autiful young woman, was gowned the most exquisite white satin and pped with a white mink diadem mmed with diamonds. She carried spray of white apple blossoms ich had been flown in from Turkey t morning just for her. The bride- om at her side was handsome and ented, but a poor young man. He s, however, a director of the medie Francias, and his bride was led there as Phillipine Paschal, erformer. of note. As the groom was tholic, the service would be per- med by a priest of the Catholic th. The bride was Jewish and m a very wealthy family. Her nily was brought from Paris in ir private cars attached to the l Express. The wedding supper uld be served in a wine cellar, e of many owned by her father. e photographer of the events was Cecil Beaton, on leave from Her jesty's service at Buckingham lace. After the ceremony, the bride uld be given her dowry and from n on would have no further claim the family. Disinherited?, By no ans. Simply a rule which had been d down by the head of the family ost two hundred years earlier, t each female descendant was to eive her equal share of the estate that the business would always l to the men.

Let us go back now in history d see what has taken place from the beginning of this remarkable family up to the present time.

This story, if you will allow me to digress a bit, is especially interesting to me as I was stationed at a Royal Flying Corps base which was located on lands owned by this family and I have seen some of their great homes. At a later date, I was stationed at Paullac in France also. Just happenstance. However, seeing these great estates and vineyards and having heard so much about the family, it is little wonder that I became intrigued and started reading up about them. Due to the start of this family being connected with our hobby, I thought perhaps you might also be interested, hence this article.

The head of this family was born in Frankfurt-on-Main. His ancestors were merchants in the town ghetto dealing in second hand goods. He appeared to be the brightest of a large brood of children so was sent to a school in Nurenburg with plans to become a rabbi. However, his parents pass away and money runs out. He is given a place to work in a banking house owned by the House of Oppenhour in the city of Hanover. In Hanover, Jews were given much more liberty than in Frankfurt where they were compelled to live in ghettos, wear the yellow star and chains were locked across the street ends at night to prevent their wandering about. Only five hundred families were permitted in the city and marriages restricted to twelve per year. None the less, he soon returned to

Frankfurt and began working in the business with his brothers. In those days, Germany was a loose confederation of states, each having its own money, and as Frankfurt was a great port, trade came from many places. Our young man started in to become a money changer along with his other work. Soon the odd and old coins began to interest him and he developed a knowledge of them.

Prince William of Hanau was the ruler of the state and he learns that the prince is a coin collector. Back in Hanover, he had run errands for a General Von Estorf who is now attached to the Court of Prince William, so he sets out to court the General's favor and through him, the interest of the prince, who is a very wealthy man. In this endeavor he is successful and ere long he is selling some of his coins to the prince and some of his associates. He is now on his way. His exchange business grows larger. He and his brothers move from the house of the red shield to one having a sign of a sauce pan. These people had no sir name so were called after the sign of the house in which they lived. However, the name of the house of the red shield clung to them after their moves. Next he bought out some coin collectors and attracted the attention of the Duke Karl August of Wiemar and some other important people. He now got out a catalogue in fancy gothic type which was distributed to his more important clientele. More business ensued.

At this time, he wrote the prince imploring that he be named a court factor. He received this appointment on September 21, 1769 from his Serene Highness Prince William of Hanau. Ordinarily, Jews could not engage in farming or own land but with his appointment, he could now own land so he buys an interest in the house of the sauce pan. Despite his small principality, Prince William was quite an important person. He was grandson of George II of England, cousin to George III (who lost the American colonies through the Revolutionary War). Nephew of the King of Denmark, brother-in-law to the King of Sweden and most of them owed him money! Like his father Frederick of Hesse-Cassel, William was sharp as a tack and missed no bets when it came to money matters. He, like his father, trafficked in man power...why have a lot of young men loafing around on his lands when he could impress them into his service, that is, his Army? So this is what he did. He uniformed them, drilled them and sold their services to Great Britain who sent them to the Colonies to do police work. Do you remember reading of Hessian troops when studying American history of the Revolution? Well, these were the boys referred to. When one of these boys were killed, the prince or his father was paid for him depending upon from where he came. These payments, along with the part of the wages of the troops, went into the coffers of their nibs, however, there was one drawback. Drafts were sent but had to be cashed in London.

Now we find the coin dealer buying cloth from England for the business in Frankfurt and this had to be paid for in Manchester, England

hy should not the coin dealer take e drafts of the prince, pay for his oth and in turn pay the princc in ash? It so came to pass and ere ng a son is sent to England to ndle the affairs there. One brother tires and the other dies, leaving e coin dealer in possession of the hole business. He and his family ve into a larger house bearing a een shield. The additional room is eded as, in all, the man fathers 20 ildren, of which 5 boys and 5 girls rvive. They all help in the busi- ss and it thrives.

They now toss out the seeond nd clothing business and concen- te on cloth, tobaceo, wines, money change and eoins. Prince William cceeds to the inheritanee left by s father and moves to Hesse-Cassel th his family where he becomes ndgrave. The family is a large one ree children by his wife and twenty re by various girl friends.

By 1790 the coin dealer was ing very well indeed, his sons arned well, one becoming treasurer the German Confederation when rmed, the second outshone Prinee lliam in Vienna, the third who came the most powerful man in gland, the fourth who did the same Italy and the fifth who became the ad of the house in Paris.

1804 and business is booming, t in Denmark the treasury is broke. loan arranged and handled by the in dealer for the landgrave goes ll. Now he can sign himself as perior Court agent and his sons Hessian Pay Agents. Then comes poleon and he scares the pants the landgravc who buries most of his loot leaving some with the coin dcaler and hurries off to Denmark for safety. Napoleon's agents find most of the buried loot but not that whieh the coin dealer is holding. The landgrave is reeeiving about 18,000 guilden from England per month but cannot collect in Denmark so the son in England now ships to Germany elothing, food, dyestuffs, tobaceo, coffee, sugar and other staples which is all contraband in so far as Napoleon is concerned. Some of the money for this goes to the landgrave in Denmark which keeps him partially satisfied. Next, he sends from Denmark to the son in England, millions to be used to purchase bonds. First, however, the son does some trading on the market on his own aecount and when the bonds drop about ten points, he buys for the landgrave, everything right and proper.

September 16, 1812, thc old coin dealers died. The East India Company now comes up with gold worth over eight million dollars. Son in England buys it all and it is sent to - of all places - Paris, where Spanish bankers buy it and the proceeds are sent to support Wellington's army. France got the gold but England won the war!

During these years, the house had developed a couricr and news gathering servicc which was the fastest and best on earth. The five houses together made great loans to many of the European nations, the couriers erossing national boundries and the English channel, as we today cross streets,, carrying news as well as documents and secret papers dealing with the affairs of

state as well as business. In time, these couriers came to wear blue and yellow colors and became well known long before these same colors were worn by jockeys riding the family's famous horses. In 1817, Vienna gave them the right to use Von in the name. Small potatoes, they think, but it is accepted none the less!

Now a great French loan is arranged by rival bankers. The house was given no chance at it and it stung them to the quick. In 1818, another loan was being arranged but now the sons got busy. They bought and dumped the precious issue until it fell and then bought it again teaching the Paris bankers a lesson they were not to forget. Next they prevent a war between Austria and France as they will not loan the necessary money. They determine that industry will get their support, henceforth, so now two of the brothers begin to build railroads, one in Austria and one in France.. Both are successful. In 1836, the brother in England dies and his oldest brother takes over in stead. The brother in Paris becomes head of the house.. He engages in a financial fight with a man by the name of Foulds. His three remaining brothers die and he, with nephews, carry on and by 1867 the job is completed. In 1868 he dies. The son of his brother in Vienna has his name inscribed in the Golden Book of Vienna and in 1861 becomes a member of the House of Lords. He petitions for membership in a casino but is black-balled because of his race. He buys a sewage disposal plant for a small town near by and buys land in sight and smell of the club, installing it there. A membership card is sent him when construction begins but he soaks it with very expensive perfume and returns it.

The English house loans the government twenty million pounds to pay slave owners for their slaves when this practice is abolished. Next, they raise eight million pounds for relief of Irish famine victims, then raise sixteen million to pay cost of war in Crimea.

In all, he arranged loans of twenty-five million dollars for England. He bought control of Spanish mercury mines, South African diamond mines as well as copper and nitrate holdings. The second English son is knighted by the Queen, the second son breeds horses and wins the Derby, and the youngest son, crippled by a hunting accident, lives in Paris, collects art and buys the Mouton vineyards.... we heard of these before, didn't we?

November 14, 1875, Disraeli, Prime Minister of England, was having supper with the head of the English house. A telegram is brought in by a servant and after reading it, he announces to Disraeli that the Suez canal stocks owned by the Khedive of Egypt were for sale. France wanted them but could not raise the money. Disraeli asked one guestion how much? A wire was sent asking the price, it was forty-four million dollars. The Queen wished to buy, the ministers likewise, but Parliament not being in session - where to get the money? A messenger goes to see the head of the house who is busy eating a grape from a bowl in front of him on the desk. He ponders the question a reported two seconds and announces "I shall

e them for you tomorrow". In 36-37, the canal earned for England ittle over fifty-six percent of its st.

After being elected to Commons ven times, the head of the house s finally seated in 1858 and his est son was made a Baron in 5 by Queen Victoria. The family es on and on, banking, farming, Arts, charity, on an unprecedent- scale, hospitals, schools and at have you. A large new Catholic rch was under construction. Near one of their large houses was ng torn down. The church needed ge amounts of marble. The marble m the Jewish house is hauled to church site and donated for the v Catholic church.

The house, along with Dutch ll, Standard and one or two more companies, is out in front in the loration for oil and minerials. lions of acres in the Canadian derness are owned by them. They re instrumental in the establish- nt of Israel as a nation and have supported it for over forty years. Yes, they even built many towns and villages there and also transported thousands of pilgrims to this land.

The money which made the discovery of King Tut's tomb possible came from one of the female members of the family. She, alone, put up the money to support this expedition.

They have had representatives in the U.S.A. for over a hundred years and many great affairs here have been backed by the support of their money.

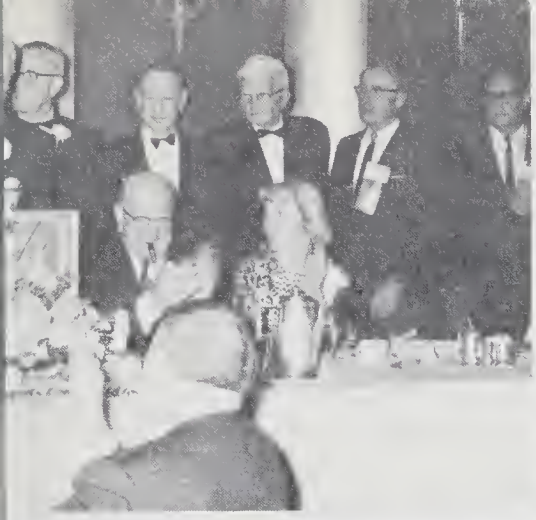
The democracies have been strongly supported by their financial aid and some of the sons have been crippled and maimed and others have died in the armed forces doing their bit. One, when captured during the last war, stood up to both Goering and Himmler and talked back, yet survived.

A handful of coins, an idea, courage, work and family solidarity made possible the realization of this, the dreams of MAYER AMSELEM ROTHSCHILD.

DID YOU KNOW THAT --

The once famous silver town of Tombstone, Arizona has enjoyed a new boom during the year 1968: a man and his son, whose family has been prospecting around Tombstone since the 1870's struck a bonanza of silver in 1968 bringing to mind the gold rush of the Forty Niners. Their vein of ore, a 12 foot wide vein, is said to have assayed silver and some gold worth up to $3,000 a ton. Many mining claims have been processed at the county seat and prospectors are trekking off into the Cochise County Hills to other claims and sites of old silver mines in hope of "striking it rich".

Taken from the Forty Niner Nugget
By Mildred Powell, Secretary



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE FOURTEENTH N.A.S.C. ANNUAL CONVENTION

IN MEMORIAM

CLARA DYKES
NASC 577

Clara Dykes was a coin dealer in Gardena for a number of years, and was active in many clubs.

We learn with regret of her passing on February 26, and extend condolences to her family.

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STEPHEN B. KOSOFF
NASC 769

Stephen B. Kosoff was born May 31, 1940, and passed away March 3, 1969. He was a member of the California State Numismatic Association and a Life Member of the American Numismatic Assoc. He was also a partner of Numismatic Enterprises of Encino.

He is survived by his parents, Abe and Molly Kosoff, his wife Carlene and son Troy, and a sister, Sondra Kliman. He will be missed by all who knew him.

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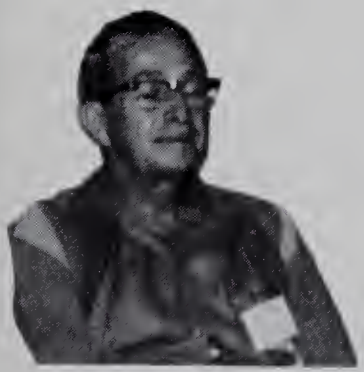
ART MacDONALD
NASC 475



Art MacDonald passed away February 18, 1969.

He was especially active with the Downey Numismatists and many will remember how hard he worked for many years within that Club. He was Charter Member No 12 of that organization, and later he received life-time membership No. 2. His reddy smile and warm friendliness will be long missed.

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THE RAREST UNITED STATES COIN

By RAYMOND R. REINOEHL

What coin would you select as the rarest of all United States regular issues? You'd better stop and think a minute! In this discussion, such specimens as clandestinely struck coins, oddities, varieties, territorials and other hard money not a part of this country's regular official coinage are not considered. Official United States coinage began in 1793 and this is our starting date. This limitation eliminates such issues as the 1804 Silver Dollar, 1913 Five Cent Piece, the 1884 and 1885 Trade Dollar to name a few of the more commonly known high priced coins.

The coin I have selected is greatly underated. It may not be the rarest but at least it is extremely scarce.. Maurice Gould states that it is much more scarce than generally believed.. John J. Pittman and Abe Kosoff both agree that it is over 100 times rarer than the '56. Walter Breen says there are more than five and fewer than twenty-five known. It is considered a transitional piece and minted only for two years. The year prior to its authorization by congress, large number of patterns were struck, so many in fact that it is considered by many to be an official coin, even though it is a trial piece.

Presented here for consideration is the Proof Flying Eagle Cent dated 1857.

The writer has not been able to find any published information about this coin and had to depend upon the opinions of long time collectors to establish its rarity. Several letters were sent to well known numismatists asking for information about this coin. Some admitted they knew nothing about it and others presented a thought or two that when grouped together gave what seems to be a true picture of this coin's rarity. Additional information was obtained by personal contact.

Apparently no one knows how many of these proofs were struck. The writer feels the quantity could have been quite large although one report states that these were minted only during one month. There are known varieties of these proofs which would indicate that more than one die was used. The writer has seen two differences and there could be more.. Walter Breen is making a study on these varieties and it is hoped he will publish his findings in the near future. This is one of the reasons for feeling that there was a fairly high proof mintage. You might ask, if large numbers were struck, what happened to them? This is one thought. Right from the beginning, the 1856 was very much in demand and large numbers were distributed, so many in fact that the demand was satisfied. Of the proof '57s and even the '58s struck, only a few were accidentally saved. The balance were either distributed for circulation or melted by the mint. There is the possibility that only a few were minted. Regardless of the cause, these proof 1857's and 1858's are seldom offered for sale. What

ppears to be several offers, is the ame coin being presented more than ice. The writer knows of one speci- en sold at auction and turning up few months later for sale by dif- rent dealers. Charles French wrote at he hadn't seen a genuine 1857 1858 proof in many years; that any first strikes were sold and ccepted as proofs, but they are not. m Kelly said he hadn't handled a alf dozen in all the years he has en in business. George Bennett s never had one in any of the uctions he has called. Without quivocation, all agreed that both e 1857 and 1858 proofs are ex- emely scarce with the former being e rarest.

By analyzing the following nformation, a fairly accurate esti- ate of the quantity of 1857's will e established. It is generally agreed hat about 1,000 of the '56s were sued and about 280 of the '58s, oth types. Most of the 1856 pieces ere saved so that the quantity hat remains is probably close to the riginal issue.. There is a known oard of about 500 of these owned y one estate and are to be released bout the year 2000. As mentioned arlier, few of the 1858's were pre- served. If the 1857 is over 100 times arer than the 1856 with the mintage ,000, there must be fewer than ten f the former. Many feel that the '57 is ten times rarer than the '58 which would give a maximum of 28 for the former. This number can be reduced in proportion to the 1858's lost through attrition. It is very probable that both comparisons would come up with the same esti- mate of fewer than ten 1857's Any of those people contacted that want- ed to make an estimate, came up with a figure of more than 5 and fewer than 25. So in all likelihood, the correct number is somewhere in between. Abe Kosoff believes there are more than 10. This con- flicts with his statement that the '57 is over 100 times rarer than the '56 or perhaps there were more than 1,000 of these trial pieces. I am not qualified to argue with a man with so much more experience than myself, so must accept his statement that there are more than ten of these. Taking the high of 25 and the low of 5, the correct answer should be in between, or about 15. At least for the time being, it must be assumed that there are fewer than 15 of the proof 1857's around.

If you have any thoughts on the subject, either pro or con, I will appreciate hearing from you.

My nomination for the rarest of United States Coins is the Proof 1857 Flying Eagle Cent. What is yours?.

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BOARD MEETING DATES

June 1, September 7, December 7, 1969, February 1, 1970

CLUB NEWS

ANAHEIM COIN CLUB

The speaker of the evening for the meeting of February 13th, was Mr. THOMAS S. MONTGOMERY of the Youth Training School, Ontario, Calif. Mr. Montgomery just recently made a tour of Poland, Russia and other "Iron Curtain" countries and has acquired considerable knowledge of their coinage, methods of barter, history, geography etc., according to the Anaheim Coin Club bulletin.

ANCIENT COIN CLUB OF AMERICA

Beside the annual election of officers at the December 1st meeting a good program was also included. HANS RAUCH, a charter member of the Club, talked on the Celtic Coins of Central Europe. The more important of the obscure coinages issued by Celtic peoples is found in Central Europe, chiefly in the districts of the upper Rhine and the Danube; also they are found in Hungary, Bohemia, Bavaria and Switzerland.

Officers for 1969 are President, Earl Keefer; Vice-Pres. Alvin Kleeb, Secretary, Sally Marx; Treasurer, Alan Harrow.

The program for the meeting of February 2nd, consisted of slides and commentary on a Roman Fortress in Germany, and was given by VIRGINIA RUZICKA and JOEL MALTER.

AZTECA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

Officers for 1969 are: President, Owen W. Wagner; Vice-Pres., Armando Ojeda; Treasurer, Wendall G.Markham; Corr. Secretary, Terence Stoddard; Rec. Secretary, Rosendo Rivera.

The program for the January 24th meeting consisted of an Annual Numismatic Quiz conducted by Federico Claveria; Show and Tell exhibits by the membership; Gift Exchange by Santa Claus; and the installation of 1969 officers by Gordon Greene.

FIRST DAY - FIRST ISSUES was the title of the program at the February 28th meeting, presented by Mr. JOHN MILES BAKER. Also there was presentation of Claveria Awards and the Plus Ultra Awards. (Congratulations, Azteca Numismatic Society upon your winning of the President's Trophy).

CALIFORNIA FOREIGN CLUB

The speaker for January 10th meeting was Dr. NORMAN APPLEBAUM, sharing his vast knowledge of a most timely subject, MODERN COUNTERFEITS.

The speaker of the evening at the February 14th meeting was MEL KOHL of Huntington Park. The presentation included a few pictures of Ethiopia, past and present, and a short review of the coinage of Memelik II, 1887 E.E. (1894) through 1895 (1903).

COMPTON COIN CLUB

A BANQUET DINNER was held on the regular meeting night of December 18 at Angelino's Restaurant in Compton.

IRV BROTMAN presented a colored slide lecture on the TEMPLE TOKENS OF INDIA.

COVINA COIN CLUB

THE SOUND OF THE LIBERTY BELL was the title of the program given at the January 15th meeting by WILLIAM O. WISSLEAD.

CUL VER CITY COIN CLUB

Officers for 1969 are: President, Clarence A.Dunbar; Vice-Pres-, Paul H. Borack; 2nd Vice-Pres. Paul E. Thornburg; Secretary, Raymond L. Jackson; Treasurer, M. Fishel.

BEN ABELSON graciously consented to present his new slide program on ISRAEL FIRST DAY, FIRST ISSUE COIN COVERS at the February 6th meeting.

DOWNEY NUMISMATISTS

The December 4th meeting was set aside for the Annual Christmas Buffet Luncheon, chaired by Alvina Fontaine and Esther Ellis.

Due to New Year's Day falling on the 1st Wednesday of the month the January meeting was cancelled.

EAST LOS ANGELES COIN CLUB

The December 16th meeting was the Annual Christmas Potluck Dinner, with Santa Claus being present with a treat for the children.

The program for the January 20th meeting was a SHOW AND TELL in which any member so desiring brought their favorite coin to the meeting and told the story behind it.

Mr. C.A. (Slim) Dunbar headed up the meeting of February 17th with his interesting talk on UNITED STATES COINS.

ECHO PARK COIN CLUB

Officers for 1969 are: President, Claude Parrish; Vice-Pres., Lou Rosenthal; Treasurer, Louise Gagliardi, Rec. Secretary, James Waldorf; Corr.Secretary, Grace Mazzo.

The guest speaker for the meeting of January 27th, was Mrs. JOY PARRISH speaking on the subject of WOODEN MONEY OF AMERICA.

COIN MEDALS OF ISRAEL with slides and a lecture narrated by BEN ABELSON was the featured program at the February 24th meeting.

ERROR CLUB OF HOLLYWOOD

Heading the speaker's program was Mr. BOB HANSON. Bob told how all types of peeled lamination coins occur, and had coins to show the members. He is working on a new project in the field, and he will announce it soon.

FONTANA UNITED NUMIS.

The meeting of December 13th was given over entirely to the Annual Christmas Potluck Dinner.

The Club's annual super-auction was held on the evening of February 14th, and proved to be one of the most successful.

FORTY NINER COIN CLUB

Officers for 1969: are: President, John E. Gross; Vice-Pres., Gene Coffield; Treasurer, Mary Mann; Rec. Secretary, Mildred Powell; Cor. Secretary, Lula Randall.

For the meeting of February 12, ALVA CHRISTENSEN of Temple City spoke on the subject of HISTORY AND TYPES OF COLLECTING.

GARDEN GROVE COIN CLUB

A Christmas Party consisting of Games, Prizes, Gift Exchanges, Ice Cream, Cake and other goodies was held at the December 20 meeting.

Are your Coins safe? Are you keeping too many valuable numismatic items in your home? Preventive action is good advice. For the meeting of January 23rd, a member of the Garden Grove Police Dept. showed films on burglary and spoke on many ways of making the home safer against robbery.

GENERAL DYNAMICS COIN CLUB

The program for the December 27th meeting was designed around a COIN, SHOW AND TELL session in which members were asked to bring a favorite coin or coins and be prepared to tell a few words on the subject.

HAPEA COIN CLUB

Officers for 1969 are: President, Ray Alderman; Vice-Pres., Doc Sage; Secretary, Virginia Alderman; Treasurer, Charles Rajca.

ISRAEL COIN CLUB

The December 29 meeting was not held at the regular meeting hall, but instead was extended to January 5th, which was the Annual INSTALLATION DINNER MEETING, held at the Pump Room Restaurant in Sherman Oaks.

Officers for 1969 are: President, Bob Berman; 1st Vice-Pres-Milt Fishgold; 2nd Vice-Pres. Harold Wolpe; Rec. Secretary, Evelyn Sadler; Corr.. Secretary, Linda Friedman, Treasurer, Mel Fishel.

LAKEWOOD COIN CLUB

JACK STUSTER was the guest speaker at the meeting of February 25, showing slides on Central America.

LA MIRADA COIN CLUB

Officers for 1969 are President, Norma Reardon, Vice-Pres. Guy M. Araby; Treasurer, Norm Van Diest; Secretary, Lois Harencame.

LAWNDALE COIN CLUB

The December 15th meeting was the Christmas Party and Installation of officers. Ben Abelson was the installing officer. At this meeting all first and second award winners throughout the year brought their displays for the annual competition of displays with suitable awards for the first and second place winners.

Officers for 1969 are: Pres. Laura Nemez; Vice-Pres. Elmo Nielson; Treasurer, Mel Kohl; Secretary, Jean Lumpkin; Sgt-at-Arms, Dave Miller.

The speaker for the January 9th meeting was Slim Dunbar, speaking on Coin Clubs in general.

The program for the February 5th meeting paid tribute to two of our great fore-fathers, George Washington and Abraham Lincoln.

ONG BEACH COIN CLUB

The program time for the meeting of December 2nd was devoted to the election of officers for 1969. Results of the election were as follows: President, Ken Young, Vice-President, Lin Sims; Secretary, C.P. Bogoman; Treasurer, Ida Mae Griffin.

The program at the January 6 meeting was games.(L.B.C.C. Ed. Note: Numismatic games - not post office).

The speaker for February 3rd was JOHN WILLIAMS, who presented a travelogue of Mexico, picturing his experiences of many vacations spent there. Slides accompanied his lecture to a display of Mexican coins.

S ANGELES COIN CLUB

Officers for 1969 are: President William A. Sadler; 1st Vice-Pres- William O. Wisslead; 2nd Vice-Pres-. Abelson; Recording Secretary; Melyn Sadler; Corres. Secretary, Ileen Lawson; Treasurer, Walter Ryder; Sgt-at-Arms, Paul Freestone.

The program time at the Dec. meeting was devoted in part to election of officers and Board members for 1969. In addition, Clay Ladd gave a highly interesting report of his attendance at the Hawaii Numismatic Association Convention where he took first place with his display in its category. He then described the many beautiful scenes he observed of the famed Hawaiian Islands while taking advantage of the many tours offered the tourist.

The program for the meeting of February 7, was ISRAEL FIRST DAY FIRST ISSUE COVERS by Claire and Ben Abelson. This program was taped by Ben with a musical background played while the slides were being depicted.

MONTEREY PARK COIN CLUB

The December meeting, held on the 27th, was given over to a Christmas party and a Pot-Luck Dinner for all members and guests.

Officers for 1969 are: Pres., Dan Silverman; Vice-Pres., Ted Pluta; Rec. Secretary, Natel Goodin; Treasurer, Leroy Goodin.

NORTH AMERICAN AVIATION STAMP & COIN CLUB

Officers for 1969 are: Pres., John Parrish; Vice-Pres., Charlie Shields; Secretary, Virginia Dennis; Treasurer, Bob King.

CONFEDERATE CURRENCY was the title of a talk given by Mrs. VIRGINIA ALDERMAN at the Feb. 3 meeting. Along with her display of currency was an exhibit of many fine reference books pertaining to the subject..

NORTH AMERICAN ROCKWELL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

The guest speaker for the meeting of February 18th was Mr. Ralph "Curly" Mitchell of Fullerton, Calif. His topic was about the functions and operations of the Franklin Mint, of which he is W.Coast representative.

NORTH HOLLYWOOD COIN CLUB

Officers for 1969 are: Pres., Maurice Gellman; Vice-Pres. Claude Fournier; Rec. Secretary, Sally Casalaina; Corr. Secretary, Ray Goodman; Treasurer, Speedy Allfie.

NORWALK COIN CLUB

Officers for 1969 are: Pres., Dick Thatcher; Vice-Pres., Holbert Dodd; Treasurer, Nick Perrulli; Secretary, Mel Thatcher.

The guest speaker for the meeting of January 9th was Mrs. JOY PARRISH whose subject was THE WONDER NICKEL.

DONALD GORDON of Santa Ana, Calif. was the guest speaker at the February 6th meeting, talking on MINT ERRORS.

OXNARD COIN CLUB

Officers for 1969 are: Pres., Charles Johnson; Vice-Pres. Russell Potter; Secretary, Olive Anthony; Treasurer, Pauline Davis.

PENNIES TO DOLLARS COIN CLUB

On December 5th the Club held their Christmas meeting with an annual Buffet Dinner and Display Night. There were eight beautiful displays and the following awards of Trophies went to: 1st Prize, George Roest,, 2nd. Morris Meadows, 3rd. Lance Volk. The remaining displayers were given smaller trophies. The Christmas meeting was very colorful, according to the Club Bulletin, as the tables were set in an attractive motif. President Evelyn Volk was responsible for arranging for the tasty fare.

At the meeting of January 9th the following officers were elected for 1969: Pres. Col. M. Paul Knepper; Vice-Pres. Robert Martin; Secretary, Mary E.. Knepper; Treasurer, Bill Piper.

William Sadler was presented with a Speaker's Plaque in appreciation of a very interesting talk he gave on the possibilities of buying "fake" coins, even by the experienced collector.

ROCKATOMICS COIN CLUB

Officers for 1969 are: Pres., Bob McAlpin; Vice-Pres. John Sherwin; Secretary, Mel Gates; Treasurer, Al Karwowski.

The featured program for the meeting of February 24th was color slides of THE MEDALS OF THE SOCIETY OF MEDALLISTS.

POMONA VALLEY COIN CLUB

Officers for 1969 are: Pres., Corky Ayres; Vice-Pres. Clifford Kreizel; Secretary, Xenia Kreizel; Treasurer, Art Dupont.

REDLANDS COIN CLUB

FRED' COOPS,, well known numismatic dealer of San Bernardino, Calif. was the featured speaker at the December meeting, talking from his many interesting topics and displays.

The speaker for the meeting of January 14th was HAROLD LYSLE of Riverside, Calif., talking on, and displaying, ALASKAN GOLD.

HISTORY OF WOODEN MONEY was the subject of the program narrated by EARL O'CATHY at the February 11th meeting.

AN BERNARDINO COUNTY COIN CLUB

The December 12 meeting was ghlighted by the presence of Santa laus giving away uncirculated 1968 alf Dollars to all in attendance. was the ANNUAL DISPLAY NIGHT which awards were given to those dged to have the best exhibit on splay. Also a PROPHECY AWARD as given to the person who made e most accurate prophecy about the ture of numismatics in 1968.

Officers for 1969 are: Pres., lliam O. Wisslead; Vice-Pres., uis J. Beretich; Secretary, Mrs. rman B. Sturgess. Trea., H. Feinberg.

The guest speaker for the meeting of January 9th was the noted llector and author, ROBERT LARKE of Pasadena, Calif. His bject was on COINS OF THE SWISS ONFEDERATION from 1850 to date.

AN FERNANDO VALLEY COIN CLUB

Officers for 1969 are: Pres., eorge Price; 1st. Vice-Pres. Peggy rgolte; 2nd. Vice-Pres. Ruth John-n; Rec. Secretary, Ed. Gagnon; orr. Secretary, Eloise Nichols; reasurer, Bob Shewalter.

The program for the meeting of ecember 10, arranged for by George rice, was a SLIDE & LECTURE on OINS AND MEDALS OF ISRAEL, ven by Ben and Claire Abelson,

The speaker for the evening for e meeting of January 13 was Mr. ICHARD J. TROWBRIDGE, talking the subject of BRITISH COINS.

Mr. REX WILKINS of the Azteca umismatic Society, was the speaker the evening at the February 10th meeting, speaking on the subject of MEXICO AND ITS MONEY.

SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COIN CLUB

The December 18th meeting was set aside for the annual auction of donated items to help raise funds for the Club and the annual banquet.

The meeting of February 19th was taken up during the program for nomination and election of officers for the coming year of 1969: Pres., Ernest Camfield; Vice-Pres. Charles Byers; Rec. Secretary, Alice Rifkin; Corres. Secretary, Pat Wilcox; Treasurer, Jack Williams.

SANTA ANA COIN CLUB

LEE MARTIN of Santa Ana, Calif. spoke on United States Coins at the December 16th meeting. There was also a Christmas Gift exchange with a minimum value of $1.00.

The speaker at the January 20 meeting was RALPH "CURLY" MITCHELL of Fullerton, Calif. West Coast representative of the Franklin Mint.

RONALD EARLE of Costa Mesa, Calif. was the guest speaker at the February 17th meeting.

SANTA BARBARA COIN CLUB

The speaker of the evening at the meeting of January 20 was Mr. ROY C. LAWRENCE, former owner of "The Coin Collector", a monthly coin newspaper. He is semi-retired, still maintaining a mail order coin business.

The meeting of February 17th was made interesting by Mr. ADOLPH SCOLAVINA talking on his topic of

interest UNITED STATES TYPE COINS. He brought with him a display of type coins.

SOCIETY for INTERNATIONAL NUMISMATICS

Officers for 1969 are: Pres., John Ballard; Pres-Elect, Jerry Yahalom; Vice-Pres., Laura Nemez; Exe. Secretary, Carolyn Nestrick; Rec. Secretary, Virginia Ruzicka; Treasurer, Max Wedertz.

For the meeting of January 28, the speaker of the evening was IRV BROTMAN speaking on INDIAN TEMPLE TOKENS.

SOCIETY for INTERNATIONAL NUMISMATICS (San Gabriel Valley Chapter)

The featured speaker of the month at the January 21st meeting was WILLIAM O. WISSLEAD of Santa Ana, Calif. The title of his talk was A LOOK INTO THE BACKGROUND OF THE AUSTRIA OF MARIA THERESA. A dissertation of this type has seldom been heard in this area, therefore, creating much interest in a field of numismatics that abounds in historical lore.

So. CALIFORNIA ANCIENT NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

The program time for the Dec 13 meeting was given over to the annual election of "Rulers".

SOUTHERN HUB COIN CLUB

Officers for 1969 are: Pres., Sally Marx; Vice-Pres. C.A. Dunbar; Secretary, Joy Parrish; Treasurer, Wayne Dennis.

TORRANCE COIN CLUB

The speaker for the Feb. 18 meeting was Mr. KENNETH YOUNG of Long Beach, Calif. His topic was ANCIENT CHINESE COINS. Mr. Young is well versed on Chinese Coins, as he lived there for some time, according to the Club Bulletin.

TRW SYSTEMS EMPLOYEES ASSOC. COIN CLUB

Officers for 1969 are: Pres., Robert K. Russell; Vice-Pres., Oistein Rinde; Secretary, Dorothy Marsden; Treasurer, James R. Taylor.

ED OLSTEIN gave a talk on U.S. COMMEMORATIVE COINS at the December 11th meeting and displayed some coins from his own collection. A lot of interest was generated from Ed's talk and several members expressed a desire to explore the collecting of U.S. Commemorative coins, according to the Club bulletin!

TUSTIN COIN CLUB

The speaker at the Decembe 11th meeting was WILLIAM O. WISS LEAD of Santa Ana, Calif. using fo subject the title of COLLECTIN FROM CIRCULATION, from his ex periences in the '50's of many goo finds from circulation.

The topic of the program fo the meeting of February 12th wa COIN CLEANING. Mr. CHARLES S GEERS of Huntington Beach, Calif demonstrated his sonic cleanin machine and cleaned a few coins during his talk.

EST VALLEY COIN CLUB

Officers for 1969 are: Pres., ul Newell; 1st Vice-Pres. Lucky llard; 2nd Vice-Pres. Rodney Coon; c. Secretary, Betty Case; Corr. cretary, Lenora Donald; Treasurer, rry Shirk.

At the December meeting the ub finished up the year with a rty, a special meeting for all to joy. Very special refreshments, tertainment, music and more! No ction, no speaker, just fun; and a w minutes taken out to install the w officers for 1969. Also the nior "Best of Year" Trophy was warded by President George Price.

HITTIER COIN CLUB

The program time at the Dec. th meeting was given to the annual ection of officers. To highlight the eting there was a couple of Games: IFT EXCHANGE and a GUESSING R, a jar filled with Indian Head nts, Buffalo Nickels, War Nickels, d other coins including a Silver llar.

Officers for 1969 are: Pres., rancis Rickard; Vice-Pres. Guy raby; Secretary, Esther Bromberg; reasurer, Tom Chell.

RICHARD TROWBRIDGE, pro-nent collector and dealer of British ins talked on his favorite topic, OINS OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE. e also displayed suitable samples his specialty, at the meeting of ebruary 14th.

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NEW BRITISH RECKONING

Almost 1,000 years of tradition have faded into history as Great Britain scrapped the pound-shilling-pence system in 1968. Originally scheduled to go into effect in 1970, no need to further delay the change-over caused the Bank of England and the Royal Mint to move ahead with decimalization. The old-timers will still be calculating 12 pence to the shilling and 21 shillings to the guinea, but will find little company among the younger Britons. The colorful language of the royal coinage may not disappear completely, but it did contain such quaint and interesting units as: farthing, ha'penny, tuppence, thruppence, groat, shilling, florin, 'alfcrown, crown, quid and guinea.

In its history since George III, Great Britain has minted coins of the following denominations½ ¼f. 1/3f, ½f, farthing, ½d. penny, 1½d, 2d, 3d, groat, 6d, shilling, florin, crown, ¼ guinea, ½ guinea, 1/3 guinea, 2g, 5g, & sovereign. In addition, each year Great Britain has minted a silver Maundy set -- 1d, 2d, 3d and 4d on Maundy Tuesday for distribution to the poor.

Taken from the Whittier Coin Club Bulletin.

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The most extreme case on record of coin swallowing was revealed by Sedgefield General Hospital, England, on Jan. 5,1969,, when it was reported that 424 coins valued at $5 was extracted from the stomach of a 54 year old man.

MEMBER CLUBS

ANAHEIM COIN CLUB Califarnia Federal Saving & Loan, 600 N. Euclid Street, Anaheim, Calif. 2nd. Thursday, 7.30 p.m.
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 3344, Anaheim, Calif. 90803

ANCIENT COIN CLUB OF AMERICA (Las Angeles Chapter) State Mutual Savings & Loan, 15th & Wilshire, Santa Manica, Calif. 1st Sunday, 2.00 p.m..

AZTECA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY Califarnia Federal Savings & Loan, Pica & Overland, Los Angeles, Calif. 4th Friday, 8.00 p.m.

BAKERSFIELD COIN CLUB 1620 Truxtan Palice Dept. Base, Bakersfield, Calif. 1st & 3rd Tuesday, 8.00 p.m.

BAY CITIES COIN CLUB Westdale Savings & Laan, 2920 Sauth Sepulveda Blvd. W. Los Angeles, Calif. 3rd Thursday, 8.00 p.m.

CALIFORNIA FOREIGN COIN CLUB Community Bldg, 647 San Vincent, West Hallywoad, Calif. 2nd Friday, 7.00 p.m.

CALIFORNIA EXONUMIST SOCIETY Meets quarterly, variaus places. c/o Sally Marx, Carr. Secy., P.O. Bax 227, Canaga Park, Calif. 91305

CALIFORNIA STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION Secretary, Charles Calver, 611 N. Banna Ave. Cavina, Calif. Meets twice a year at canventian.

CALTECH-J.P.L. NUMISMATIC SOCIETY Caltech Campus, Raam 168, Church Bldg, 4800 Oak Grave Drive, Pasadena, Calif. 3rd Wednesday, 7.30 p.m.

CENTRAL COAST COIN CLUB 2880 Broad St. San Luis Obispa, Calif. 8.00 p.m.
Mailing Address: P.O. Bax 1048, San Luis Obisap, Calif. 93401

COMPTON COIN CLUB Lueders Park, Bullis & Rasecrans, Camptan, Calif. 3rd Wednesday, 7.45 p.m.

CONEJO VALLEY COIN CLUB Acacia Schaal Auditarium, 55 West Narman Ave. Thausand Oaks, Calif. 2nd Thursday, 7.30 p.m.

CON. OF INTERNATIONAL NUMISMATICS (C.O.I.N.) Las Angeles Hilton Hotel, Las Angeles, Calif. Meets Annually in Conventian in June

COVINA COIN CLUB Recreatian Hall, 340 Valencia, Cavina, Califarnia 3rd Wednesday, 8.00 p.m.

CROWN CITY COIN CLUB Security 1st Natianal Bank, 204 E. 6th St., Cavina. 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 7.30 p.m.

CULVER CITY COIN CLUB Veterans Memarial Bldg, Culver Blvd. & Oveland Ave. Culver City, Calif. 1st Thursday, 8.00 p.m.

DESERT COIN PROSPECTORS Irwin Elementary Schaal, Majave St. Victarville Ca. 1st Tuesday, 8.00 p.m..

DOUGLAS SANTA MONICA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY Douglas Glabemaster Grill, 2905 Ocean Park Blvd, Santa Manica, Calif. 2nd Manday, 7.30 p.m.

DOWNEY NUMISMATISTS Dawney Women's Club, 9813 S. Paramount, Dawney, Ca. 1st Wednesday, 7.30 p.m.

EAST LOS ANGELES COIN CLUB 932 So. Gerhart Avenue, Las Angeles, Calif. 3rd Manday, 8.00 p.m..

ECHO PARK COIN CLUB Echa Pk Methadist Church, 1226 N. Alvarada Street, Los Angeles, Calif. 4th Manday, 7.30 p.m.

EL MONTE COIN CLUB El Mante Civic Center, 3130 N. Tyler, El Mante, Calif.. 4th Manday, 7.00 p.m.

RROR CLUB OF HOLLYWOOD 1505 N. Edgemont St, Hollywood,, California
Last Friday each month, 7.45 p.m. (6th Floor)

ONTANA UNITED NUMISMATISTS Eagles Hall, Alder & Arrow, Fontana, Calif.
2nd Friday, 7.30 p.m.

ORTY-NINER COIN CLUB Girl's Club House, South Gate Park, Tweedy and
Southern, South Gate, Calif. 2nd Wednesday, 7.45 p.m..

ARDEN GROVE COIN CLUB Orange Hall, Century & Taft, Garden Grove,, Calif.
4th Thursday, 7.30 p.m.

ENERAL DYNAMICS COIN CLUB Plant Recreation Club House, 5th at Bellevue,
Pomona, Calif. 4th Friday, 7.30 p.m.

LEN CITY COIN CLUB 933 Yale Street, Santa Paula, California
1st Friday, 7.30 p.m.

LENDALE COIN CLUB Glendale Federal Savings & Loan, 401 N. Brand, Glendale
3rd Friday, 7.30 p.m.

APEA COIN CLUB 1216 E. Imperial Highway, El Segundo, California
3rd Monday, 7.30 p.m.

RAEL COIN CLUB State Mutual Saving & Loan Bldg, 1505 Wilshire Bouvelard,
Santa Monica, Calif. Last Sunday each month, 2.00 p.m.

AISER COIN CLUB Club House No. 2, Fontana, California
4th Thursday, 7.30 p.m..

AKEWOOD COIN CLUB Del Valley Recreation Center, 4658 Woodruff Avenue,
Long Beach, Calif. 4th Tuesday, 7.30 p.m.

A MIRADA COIN CLUB, Charlotte Anthony School, Barbata at Alondro, La Mirada
3rd Friday, 8.00 p.m. Mailing Address P.O. Box 674, La Mirada, Ca. 90638

AWNDALE COIN CLUB Hawthorne Memorial Center, 3901 W.El Segundo Blvd.
Hawthorne, Calif. 3rd Sunday, 2.00 p.m.

.E.R.C. NUMISMATIC SOCIETY Lockheed Recreation Center, 2814 Empire,
Burbank, Calif. 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7.30 p.m.

ONG BEACH COIN CLUB Mottell's Mortuary, 3rd & Alamitos, Long Beach, Ca.
1st Monday, 7.30 p.m.

OS ANGELES COIN CLUB Olympian Motor Hotel, Chariot Room, 1903 W..Olympic
Los Angeles, Calif. 1st Friday, 8.00 p.m.

AR VISTA COIN CLUB Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 14th & Ocean Park,
Santa Monica, Calif. 2nd Tuesday, 8.00 p.m.

ONTEREY PARK COIN CLUB Service Clubhouse, 440 South McPherrin Ave.
Monterey Park, Calif. 4th Friday, 8.00 p.m.

ORTHROP COIN CLUB 12626 Chadron Avenue, Hawthorne, California
2nd & 4th Monday, 7.30 p.m.

. AMERICAN AVIATION-ROCKWELL CORP. STAMP & COIN CLUB. Recreation
Hall, 5353 W. Imperial, Los Angeles, Calif. 1st Monday, 7.00 p.m.

. AMERICAN ROCKWELL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY 16133 Woodruff, Bellflower, Ca.
3rd Tuesday, 8.00 p.m.

ORTHERN CALIFORNIA NUMISMATIC ASSOC. P.O. Box 5075, San Jose, Calif.
Meets annually in Convention

ORTH HIGH SCHOOL STAMP & COIN CLUB 182nd St. & Yukon, Torrance, Calif.
1st & 3rd Thursday, 7.00 p m lto 9,00 p.m.

NORTH HOLLYWOOD COIN CLUB Glendale Federal Savings & Loan, Ventura at Laurel Canyon, Studio City, Calif. 2nd Tuesday, 7.30 p.m.

NORTH VALLEY COIN CLUB 1309 Bordon Street, Symlar, California 2nd Thursday, 7.30 p.m.

NORWALK CALIFORNIA COIN CLUB Hoxie Ave. School, 12324 Hoxie, Norwalk. 1st Thursday, 8.00 p.m.

ORANGE COAST COIN CLUB Mariners Library Bldg, 2005 Dover Drive, Newport Beach, Calif. 2nd Monday,, 7.30 p.m.

ORANGE COUNTY COIN CLUB Fullerton Savings & Loan Bldg, 200 W. Commonwealth, Fullerton, Calif. 4th Wednesday, 8.00 p.m.

OXNARD COIN CLUB 444 W..2nd St., Oxnard, Calif. Mailing Address: P.O. Box 855, Oxnard, Calif. 2nd Tuesday,,7.30 p.m.

PENNYS TO DOLLARS COIN CLUB (Ralph's Market Employees Association) 3410 W. 3rd St. Los Angles, Calif. 1st Thursday, 7.30 p.m.

PICO RIVERA COIN CLUB N.Ranchito School, 8837 Olympic, Los Angeles,Calif. 2nd Tuesday, 8..00 p.m.

PILLARS LIMITED "LaCasita" Bullocks Fashion Square, Sherman Oaks, Calif. 3rd Wednesday, I.PP p.ml

POMONA VALLEY COIN CLUB 172 West Monterey, Pomona, California 1st Saturday, 8..00 p.m.

REDLANDS COIN CLUB Provident Bank, 125 E. Citrus Ave, Redlands, Calif. 2nd Tuesday, 7.30 p.m.

ROCKATOMIC COIN CLUB Rocketdyne, 8500 Fallbrook, Canoga Park, Calif. 4th Monday,, 7.30 p.m .

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY COIN CLUB Recreation Center, 11th & E. Sts, San Bernardino, Calif. 2nd Thursday, 7.30 p.m.

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY COIN CLUB Lincoln Savings, Woodman & Riverside, 8th Floor, Sherman Oaks, Calif. 2nd Tuesday, 8.00 p.m.

SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COIN CLUB Huntington-Sheriton Hotel, 1401 S.Oak Knoll Pasadena, Calif. 3rd Wednesday, 8.00 p.m.

SANTA ANA COIN CLUB Recreation Clubhouse, 1104 W. 8th St, Santa Ana, Calif. 3rd Monday, 7.30 p.m.

SANTA BARBARA COIN CLUB Recreation Center, Carillo & Anacapa Strs, Santa Barbara, Calif. 3rd Monday, 8.00 p.m.

SANTA MARIA COIN CLUB Veterans Memorial Bldg, Pine & N.Price, Santa Maria 3rd Tuesday, 8.00 p.m.

SIMI VALLEY COIN CLUB Larwin Community Center, Simi, California 3rd Sunday, 7.30 p.m.

SOCIETY FOR INTERNATION NUMISMATICS California Savings & Loan, Pico & Overland, West Los Angeles, Calif. 4th Tuesday, 7.30 p.m.

SOCIETY FOR INTERNATIONAL NUMISMATICS San Gabriel Valley Chapter, Wilshire Savings & Loan, Colorado & Myrtle, Monrovia, Calif. 3rd Tuesday, 7..30 p.m.

SOUTH EAST SIERRA COIN CLUB 362 North Main Street, Bishop, California 4th Thursday, 7.30 p.m.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ANCIENT NUMISMATIC SOCIETY For meeting information write to: P.O. Box 221, Tarzana, Calif.

SOUTHERN HUB COIN CLUB 4441 W. Lennox Blvd, Inglewood, Calif. 2nd Sunday, 2.00 p.m.

JN CITY (CALIF) COIN CLUB Security Bank Community Room, Sun City
2nd Monday, 7.30 p.m.

RW SYSTEMS EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION COIN CLUB
2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 12.00 Noon

ORRANCE COIN CLUB 3855 242nd Street, Torrance, California
3rd Tuesday, 8.00 p.m.

JSTIN COIN CLUB Tustin Youth Center, 600 W. 6th Street, Tustin, Calif.
2nd Wednesday, 7.30 p.m.

LAND COIN CLUB 738 N. Euclid, Ontario, Calif. 3rd Saturday, 8.00 p.m.

ALLEY COIN CLUB Men's Club, Los Alamos, Calif. 2nd Tuesday, 8.00 p.m.

NDENBERG NUMISMATIC SOCIETY Missile View Community Center,
Vandenberg, Calif. 1st & 3rd Thursday, 7.30 p.m.

ENTURA COUNTY COIN CLUB Ventura County Library, Elizabeth Topping Rm,
Ventura, Calif. 2nd Monday, 8.00 p.m.

ERDUGO HILLS COIN CLUB Masonic Temple, 7216 Valmont, Tujunga, Calif.
3rd Tuesday, 7.30 p.m.

EST VALLEY COIN CLUB Reseda Women's Club, 7901 Lindley Ave, Reseda.
4th Sunday, 2.00 p.m.

ITTIER COIN CLUB Parnell Park, Scott Ave & Lambert, Whittier, Calif.
2nd Friday, 8.00 p.m.

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NVINA COIN CLUB
8th Annual Coin-O-Rama, Sunday, May 18, 1969, 9.00a.m. - 9.00 p.m.
American Legion Hall, 330 North Azusa Ave., West Covina, Calif.

FRANK S. STRAUS, General Chairman & Bourse Chairman
122 S. Mytle Avenue, Monrovia, Calif. 91016

CHARLES G. COLVER, Exhibit Chairman
611 No. Banna Ave., Covina, Calif.. 91722

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N BERNARDINO COUNTY COIN CLUB
6th Annual Coin-O-Rama
Theme - Golden Treasures, Sunday, May 25, 1969, 10.00 a.m.-6.00 p.m.
Cafeteria Bldg, Orange Show Grounds, San Bernardino, Calif.

ED McCLUNG, General Chairman
P.O. Box 2443, Riverside, Calif. 92506
(For Bourse & Exhibit space information contact Ed McClung)

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NARD COIN CLUB
Third Annual Coin Show, Sunday, June 8, 1969
Recreation Center, Oxnard, California

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

CALIFORNIA STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

Forty-Fourth Semi-Annual Convention

April 17, 18, 19 & 20, 1969

Cabana Hotel, Palo Alto, Calif.

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AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

78th Anniversary Convention

August 12, 13, 14, 15 & 16, 1969

Philadelphia-Sheraton Hotel

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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FIFTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION of SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

February 19, 20, 21 & 22, 1970

Los Angeles-Hilton Hotel, Los Angeles, Calif.

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